

of State if he is reemployed in the Federal Government?

He should tell the agency in which he is reemployed that he is a Foreign

Service annuitant. That agency must then notify the Department of State of the annuitant's reemployment. The Department of State will adjust his annuity payments accordingly.

## XI. Death Benefits

105. What kind of death benefits are payable when a participant dies in Service?

There are two kinds:

1. A survivor annuity benefit which begins on the date following death of the participant, and is payable in monthly installments.
2. A lump-sum benefit which is paid only once.

106. To whom is a survivor annuity payable?

Under certain conditions a survivor annuity may be payable to the widow (or widower) and dependent children of the deceased participant or deceased annuitant. It may also be payable to a person who was named by a participant at the time of retirement as a "designated beneficiary."

107. What conditions must the deceased participant have met to permit payment of a survivor annuity?

He (or she) must have completed at least 5 years of civilian service and must have been a participant in the System at the time of death.

108. What conditions must the widow of a participant who dies in Service meet to be eligible for a survivor annuity?

She must have been married to such

participant for at least 2 years immediately preceding his death or, if married less than 2 years, be the mother of his child born of the marriage.

109. What conditions must a dependent widower of a participant who dies in Service meet to be eligible for a survivor annuity?

He must have been married to such participant for at least 2 years immediately preceding her death or be the father of her child born of the marriage. In addition, he must be incapable of self-support by reason of mental or physical disability and must have received more than one-half of his support from the deceased participant.

110. How is the survivor annuity computed upon the death in Service of a participant?

If the participant at time of his or her death had less than 20 years of creditable service, the participant's annuity is computed the same as in disability retirement cases. (See question 95.) If the participant had 20 or more years of service, the annuity is computed as in voluntary retirement cases. (See question 93.) In either case the survivor annuity is one-half of the participant's annuity, except that a widow's annuity shall not be less than \$2400.